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# Check List For A Successful Balance Of Contract Payroll

Group Employees
Using the Payroll Group Definitions (PAI.251) alone or in conjunction with Category Codes (EIS.121), identify the employees who will be included on the Balance of Contract payroll.
Update the employee basic information if using Group Definitions alone, or update the employee category information if using categories as part of the group definition.
Suggestion - Use the Employee Group Report (PAY.518) to print a listing of the employees included in the balance of contract group and double check everyone is included.
Assignment Addenda's
Check your Assignment Addenda's – Assignment Addenda's will pay X's the number of checks being paid on the balance of contract. For example, the addenda is \$6 and the balance of contract is six (6) pays then the addenda amount paid on the balance of contract amount will be \$36.00. If you only want it to pay the \$6.00 you will need to change the addenda amount to be \$1.00.
Check Voluntary Deductions
Voluntary deductions with a number of remaining deductions less 999 checks to be paid will be finalized. "Finalized" means that the amount to deduct each pay will be multiplied by the number of deductions remaining.
Voluntary deductions that have 999 checks remaining will only be deducted the number of times that there are checks remaining on the contract.
Set up addition Retirement Buy Back deduction for those employees that need them.

Beware of Fica Exempt Deductions
Deductions that are exempt from FICA are not handled properly on the payroll processor for the balance of contract payroll in some instances. The easiest way to avoid the problem is to pay off these deductions <u>BEFORE</u> the balance of contract payroll.
If you do not pay off these deductions prior to the balance of contract payroll, you may have to change this deduction amount and/or number of remaining checks. For example: An employee has \$30.00 deducted each pay on a FICA exempt deduction. There is one payment left on this. The balance of contract for this person is for 6 regular checks. Change this voluntary deduction to deduct \$5.00 (1/6 of \$30.00). Use the Employee Maximum field if the amount does not divide evenly. The number of checks remaining on the Fica exempt deduction must be the same as the number of checks remaining on the contract being finalized.
FOR ALL VOLUNTARY DEDUCTIONS THAT AFFECT FICA TAX, SUCH AS SECTION 125, BE SURE THAT THE NUMBER OF DEDUCTIONS REMAINING EQUALS THE NUMBER OF CHECKS REMAINING ON ALL ASSIGNMENTS THAT WILL BE FINALIZED. IF THEY DO NOT, YOUR QUARTERLY REPORTS AND W2'S MAY BE INCORRECT.
A Note on Federal/State Tax Exempt Deductions  This type of deduction will work correctly. For example: There are 2 annuity payments left at balance of contract time There are 6 checks left on the contract to be paid off. Federal Tax withheld and the "Subject To" wages will be 2 times what a normal check would be WITH the annuity, plus 4 times what a normal check would be WITHOUT the annuity.
<u>Docks</u>
It appears that all of the issues with the docks have been corrected. Be sure to balance your payroll and to pay particular attention to those employees that have docks.
More than One Contract to Pay Off For An Employee?
If the employee has more than one contract to be finalized, the number of checks remaining <u>MUST</u> be the same for each one. If not, the retirement and FICA deductions will be incorrect. Use the Employee Assignment screen (PAY.345) to update the number of checks to be paid on one of the assignments to match the other. Make sure that the number of checks to be paid minus the number of checks already paid equals the same number for both assignments. You may want to run the Employee Contract Balance Listing (PAY.530A) to verify the number of checks for your employees.

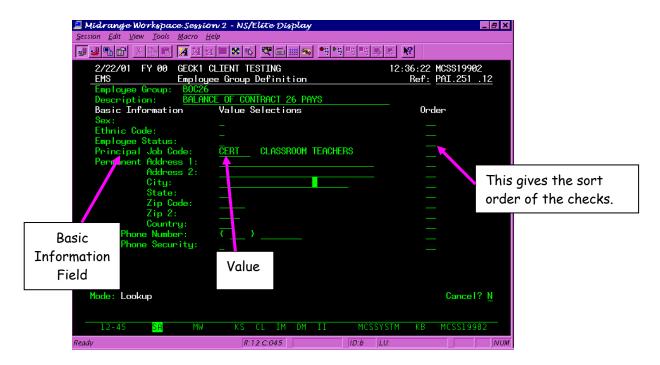
No Time Sheet Entry
<u>Do not</u> include any time sheet hours on the balance of contract payroll. FICA amounts will be incorrect.
Select Correct Payroll Processing Options
Make sure that the maximum check allowed on this payroll is enough to cover the balance of contract payment.
You may want to turn off Direct Deposit so you can hand the check to the teachers when they check out.
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Run Pro Formas!
It won't need to be fixed if it isn't broken. Now that you are aware of the potential problem areas, run Pro Formas and double check these items BEFORE running the actual payroll!
Check for Unpaid Employees.
Balance your Fica and Medicaid "Subject To" wages to your proforma.
Balance your Federal Tax "Subject To" wages to your proforma.
Look at your Employee Checks Detail Listing (PAI.625) - check voluntary deduction amounts carefully!

# **Group Those Employees**

You can group employees by using the Payroll Group Definitions alone or in conjunction with the category codes.

#### Using Payroll Group Definitions (PAI.251)

When using the group definitions alone you may use any of the fields on the basic screen to tie employees together. When doing this any it will ONLY select those who have that value in that field.



In this example we have selected every employee who has CERT entered in the field Principal Job Code on their Basic Screen (EIS.301). There is no sort order so it will default to sorting by Social Security Number.

#### Using Category Codes (EIS.305H)

Another option is group the employees by category code. This is a little more labor intensive but it will allow you more flexibility in the people that are selected.



Set up Category Code (EIS.121)

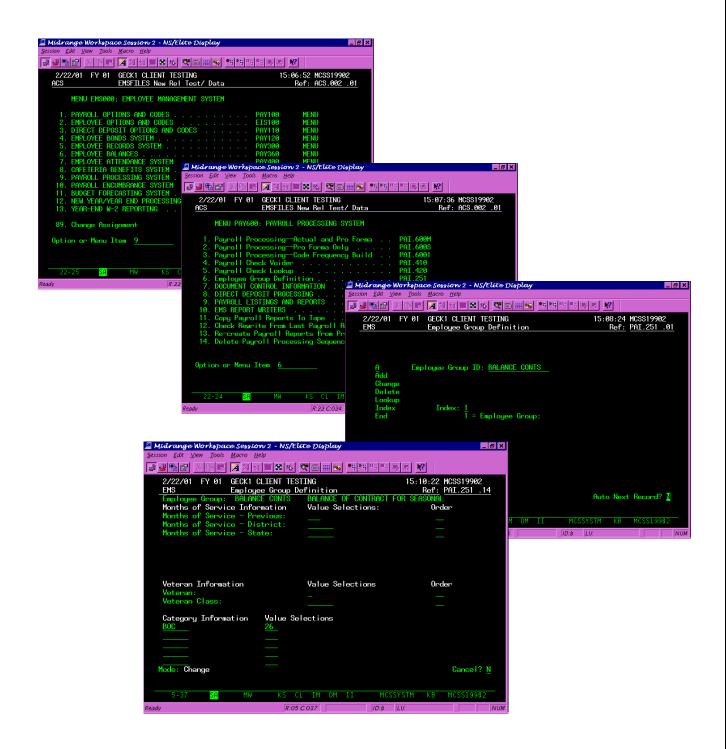
- 1. Give it a general description
- 2. Give it a value

There can be more than one value to each category code.



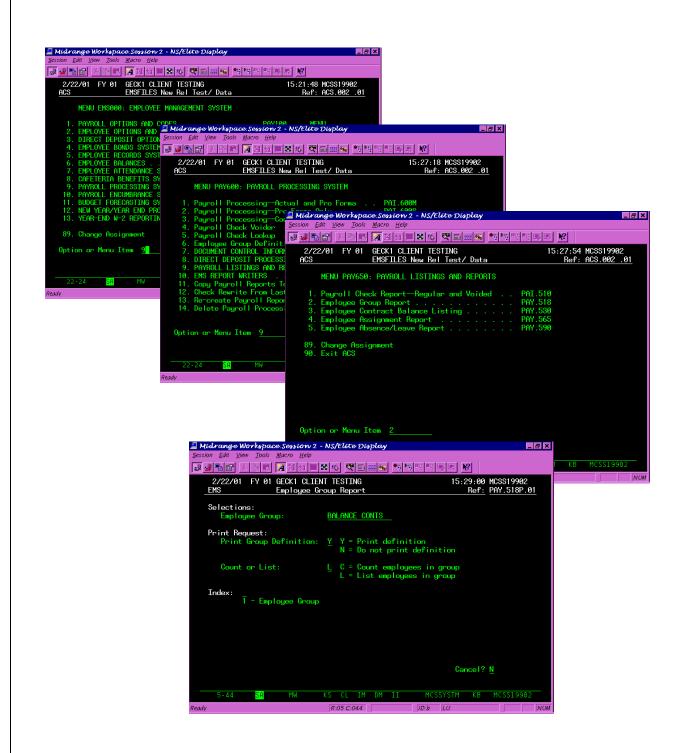
#### Assign Category Code to Employee (EIS.305H)

- 1. You will have to do a Change even though there never was a category code assigned to this employee.
- 2. Make sure that the value you assign is the same for all of the employees you want in your balance of contract.



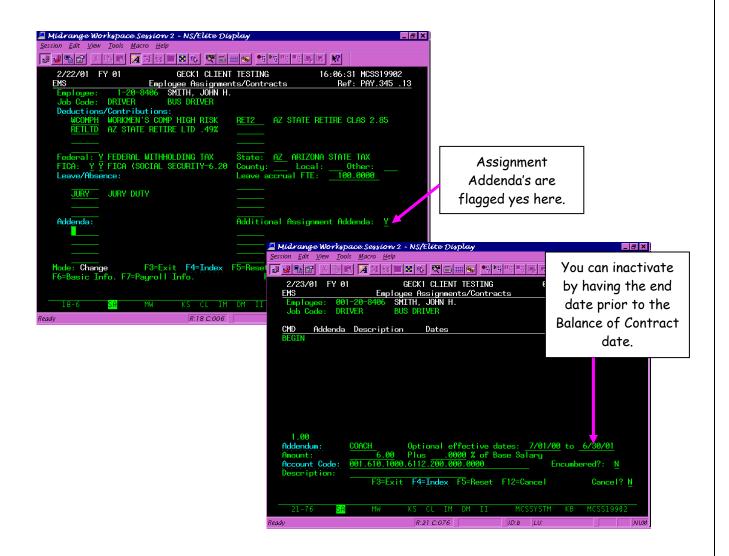
#### Set up Group ID (PAI.251)

- 1. Give group name that you will remember
- 2. Select Order of Group
- 3. On the Third Screen Enter the Category Code and Value for this group



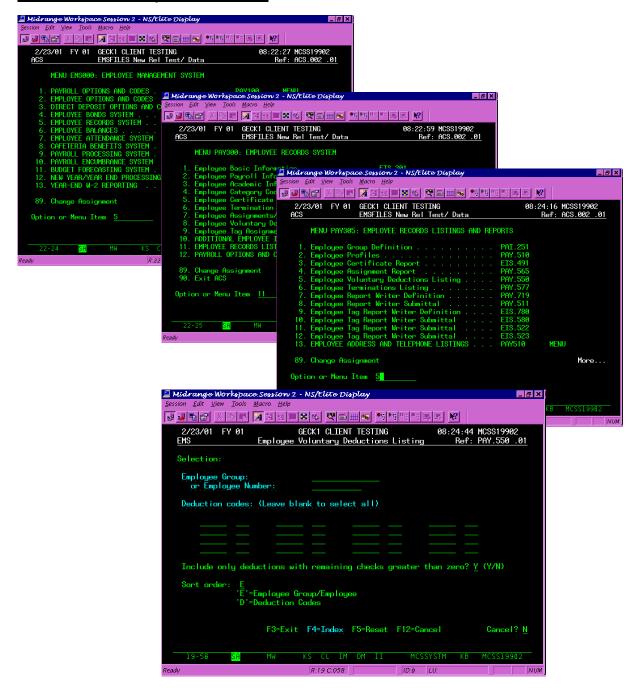
Print a group listing (PAY.518) and verify that all employees you wanted are listed.

### Assignment Addendas



- Check your addenda's.
- If active, remember that you will be paying it times the number of checks remaining in the contract.
- If the district only wants to pay one times this amount you will need to divide by the number of checks remaining in the contract and enter that amount.

### Check Voluntary Deductions

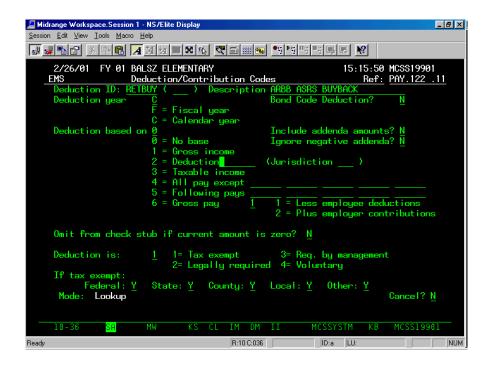


Run Deduction Report (PAY.550)

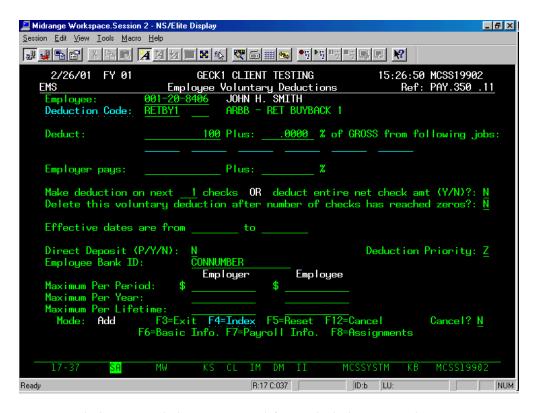
Can use same group that used for Balance of Contract List Deductions Codes wanted Defaults to list only those with checks remaining Can sort by deduction or employee name Voluntary deductions with a number of remaining deductions less than the number of checks to be paid will be finalized. "Finalized" means that the amount to be deducted each pay will be multiplied by the number of deductions remaining.

Voluntary deductions that have 999 checks remaining will only be deducted the number of times that there are check remaining on the contract.

# ASRS Buyback



- Set up additional Retirement Buy Back Deductions if needed.
- You will need a separate deduction code for each deduction taken. For example RETBY1, RETBY2 etc.
- You must use "ARBB" at the beginning of each deduction description or ASRS will receive the information.



- A separate deduction code has to be used for each deduction made.
- Be sure to include the contract number on the deduction.
- Use (1) one so the deduction will be finalized.



# Beware of FICA Exempt Deductions

In some instances, deductions that are exempt from FICA are not handled properly on the payroll processor for the Balance of Contract. The easiest way to solve this problem is to pay them before the balance of contract.

If that is not possible you will want to change the deduction amount so that it equals the number of checks remaining. For example: An Employee has one \$30.00 FICA exempt deduction left. Change this deduction by dividing by the number pays (6) on balance and enter that amount (\$5) for that number of pays (6). If the item does not divide evenly then enter an Employee Maximum amount.

#### Federal and State Deductions

These types of deductions work correctly. For example you have a TSA deduction with two remaining deductions. The Federal "Subject to" wages will be two times what a normal check would be WITH the annuity and four times what a normal check would be WITHOUT the annuity.

#### **Docks**

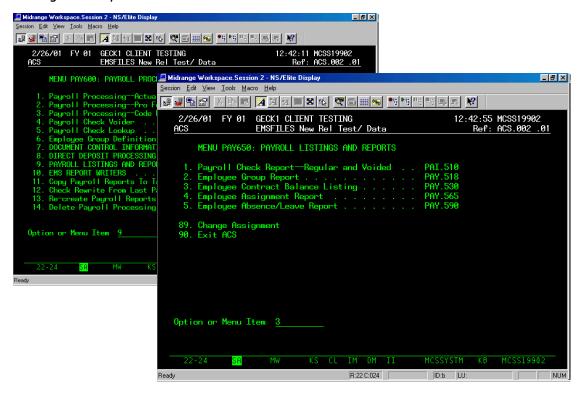
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### No Timesheet Entry

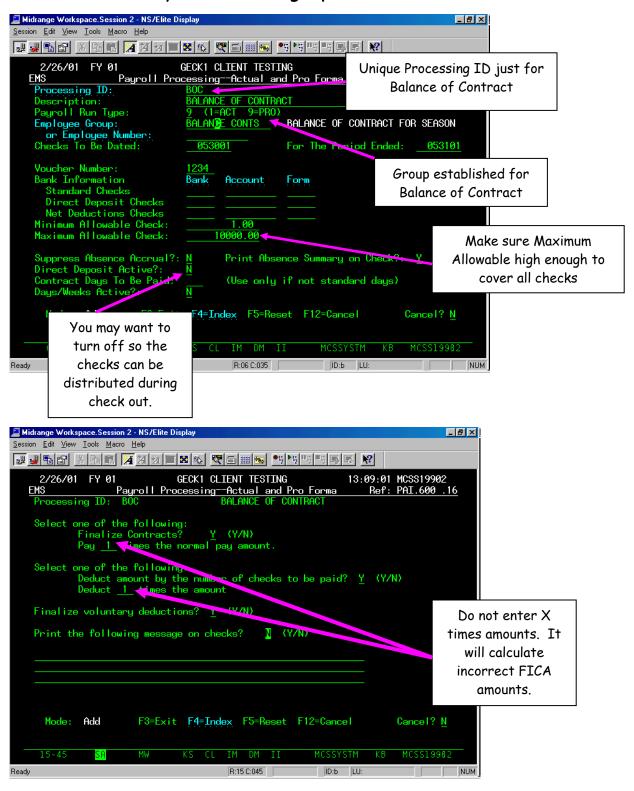
Do not include any payments through time worked or the FICA amounts will not come out correct.

# Multiple Contracts to Pay Off

If an employee has more than one contract to pay off they must have the same number of pays remaining of the Retirement and FICA deductions will be incorrect. You may run the Contract Balance Listing to verify this.

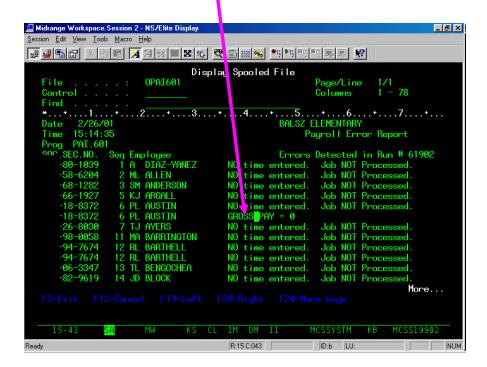


### Select Correct Payroll Processing Options



#### **Run Proformas!**

Check for unpaid employees (PAI.601)

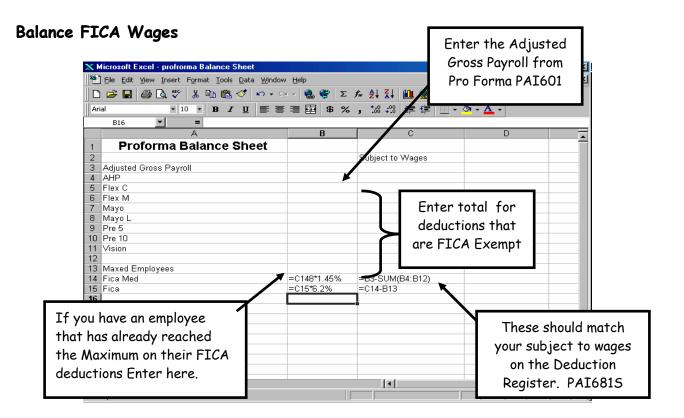


Check your deduction summary registers (PAI.6815)



#### Check your check detail listing (PAI.625)





# Balance Federal "Subject to" Wages

